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\$830 Raised For Red Cross Purposes

The drive for the Red Cross fund resulted in a total of \$830 being collected which is \$21 more than was raised during the last campaign, held a year ago. Of the \$830 15 percent will go to the local Red Cross fund and the balance will be sent to host quarters who will use it as they see fit. Latest reports state the objective set for all Canada has been reached.

THE OTTAWA LETTER

BY F. W. GERSHAW

Preparations have been made for showing concrete evidence of gratitude to soldiers returning from the great conflict.

1. On discharge a veteran is given a clothing allowance of \$65. He can retain his uniform, underwear, a great coat, shoes, etc.

2. There is a rehabilitation grant of one month's pay and dependents allowance.

3. Transportation to his home or place of enlistment.

4. Free hospital and medical treatment for troubles arising from service. For those who have served 12 months there is free treatment for any trouble for 12 months.

5. There is compulsory re-employment under conditions not less favorable than would have been applicable if enlistment had not taken place.

6. Those entering insurance, employment are entitled after 15 weeks to be credited with the time spent in service on the Unemployment Insurance account. The government pays the assessment.

7. The post discharge order gives \$44.20 per month to single men, \$62.40 to married persons, plus allowances for dependents to:

(a) Those capable to work but unable to obtain suitable employment.

(b) Those incapacitated from accepting work or taking treatment.

(c) Those in agricultural or other enterprise awaiting returns from such work.

(d) Persons pursuing vocational, technical or other educational work. These benefits are for a period of 12 months if there has been loss of service and for less where the service has been less. There is special provision for university students and also for persons who are disabled.

8. Pensions are given for war disabilities.

9. A preference is provided in the Dominion Civil Service and in all war contracts.

10. By the Veterans' Land Act, a veteran buying a \$40,000 farm with buildings, livestock and other equipment pay \$480 in cash, \$3,200 of a loan at 3 1/2 per cent and the government pays \$18,280.

11. Government welfare division and citizens' rehabilitation committee have been set up in many centers to assist and advise veterans.

12. A system of war service gratuities is being worked out.

13. The Canadian Legion Education Service, financed by the government, gives instructions in some 50 different subjects to 102,400 in the forces in every theatre of war and in prison camps in Germany.

14. Specially qualified men are employed as personnel counselors, advising men in the forces as to their post-war careers.

To improve conditions in Canada, intensified research into new ways for natural products, natural silk, rayon, unemployment insurance, physical fitness measures, floor prices for farm products and old age pensions have been carried on, providing for family allowances, housing, irrigation and other public works being made.

Winning the war is the supreme objective. Joining with the peace loving nations to see that there are no more wars, feeding the starving, fostering external trade, providing social security to banish want and poverty, are the declared policies of the Canadian people.

CORRESPONDENCE

We have received the following letter from Tommy Fisher whom many old timers will remember.

Vancouver, B.C., March 14, 1944

Dear George:— Having had a couple of visits from O. Desjardine I feel I must write to tell you how we called the Gleichens

News Items of local interest

Lou Michael, the local tinsmith left Sunday for Hanna where he has a contract to do a lot of plumbing for a job in that town. He will be absent for about two weeks.

Stand Haskeyne left Sunday morning for Shilo, Man., where he has been in the armed forces for some considerable time. His expects to be moved east shortly.

Buster Rouchie, R.C.A.F., who has been located at an air force station in Manitoba, has on a couple of weeks furlough after which he will leave for another location.

Sgt. Ashby, formerly of Gleichens and who has been stationed with the Calgary subdivision office of the C.M.P. for the past two years left Saturday night for the R.C.M.P. depot division at Regina.

Donnie Ramothson, who some years ago lived in Gleichens is serving with the R.C.N.V.R. according to a newspaper clipping received. Gleichens has been promoted to lieutenant engineer. He joined the navy in September 1939, as chief motor mechanic in a motor launch at Sydney, N.S. where his wife and family reside.

Mrs. S. Hall who has been in a Calgary hospital for several weeks, has been discharged home but is still confined to the house.

Jack Lygus, who is over 60 years of age, is serving in the R.C.M.P. for 35 years ago. Person by person place by place and almost together by 1901 I feel sure that a lot of curage bourse lasted three days. Of course, Gleichens is just as fresh in my mind today as it was then. Never have I forgotten those days which was truly the happiest days of my life. I have run into a few Gleichens in different parts of Canada. In Winnipeg I met Mike McKelmer late of Bank of Commerce; Calgary, Bill Denchy who still walks from Westminister to Vancouver and back. Mrs. Tom Henderson, New Westminster; Hindle, late of Bank of Commerce; Vancouver; John Vancover, who lives in Victoria; Belle Larkin (Mrs. Williams) Vancouver; Mrs. Jones, late of the Blackfoot reserve; Vic Beaupre, Melfort, Sask.; Dr. Hughes, Vancouver; Dan and Mrs. McNeil which they were alive; also Jim Telford who has also passed on.

Some place or other some one from Gleichens always seems to pop up and it is lovely to meet them. Jack Clark who used to be in the army, after he left Gleichens. Oh yes, Teddy Wagstaff, Waterton Lake, I almost forgot him. The years, George, are passing quickly I having reached 60 just this month. It is a short stretch ahead but a long trail back.

I save Mr. Desjardine one of no sugar for you and I hope you will like it. Try it at one of your dances sometime, please. We talked of ever seeing old Johnny Gopher, who lived in a dug-out. So you see how thorough we were. Here's my guess when the reign of the Swastika will end, the second day of August 1944. Take a genuine swastika and incense 4 Ts and 4 Is as you turn them around, so we have 4 T's which equals 284.

Now the German emblem is the reverse of the genuine and instead of a swastika the letter L appears 4 times. Now the letter L is the 12th letter of the alphabet so 4 times 12 is 48 and 4 divides into 8 twice. Reversal 48, 09 serves now the emblem being reversed also shows deductions returned, namely, 284 genuine, 483 German, so we still put it again in the list and add the following figures August 2, month 8, year 1944, totals 284. Divide 2 into 8 equals 4 and again the 284 comes up. Almost as natural as Charlie Bray's dice used to come up! Isn't it?

Had a nice letter from Lady Tweed-ales when she had been shown the following in London:

JOHN BUCHAN
Fried in battle, wondrous wise,
A friend in truth, a foe in lie;
Thy speech a tonic healing woes,
Thru-out a world of troubled woes,
Thou wondrously of Scotland,
Whose brilliant life now ends
His mission here in Canada,
Leave behind a million friends.

From Alberta to Pacific,
Penetrating inland trails,
Stand the link you forged in Canada,
Strengthening the Empire's chain.

Feb. 12, 1940. T. P. FISHER.
Give my best regards to any one that may remember me and accept my very best wishes. Very sincerely,

TOMMY FISHER.

a baby boy has arrived at his home. Capt. J. Cunningham, R.C.A.F., of Calgary spent the week end with his mother, Mrs. Cunningham of Gleichens.

The ladies of the local Red Cross entertained the members of the U.F.W.A. to a quilting bee in the Red Cross room Tuesday afternoon. A dainty lunch was served and a good time was enjoyed by all.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wilson entertained Donald McArthur and Miss R. James at their residence one evening last week. Donald has enlisted in the navy and in a short time Miss James will enter a hospital to train as a nurse.

Leslie Menard, R.C.A.F., arrived home from Toronto Monday morning. He has remained for air crew and will leave Thursday for Belleville, Ont. where he will train.

Mrs. Hampton returned Monday from Regina where she spent a few days visiting her mother, Mrs. J. W. Brown. Mrs. Brown is known in Gleichens by many people and last week celebrated her 70 birthday. Gladys Glushko extend their heartiest congratulations on the memorable occasion.

Two meetings of the U.F.W.A. have been held during the month. The first at the home of Mrs. G. Yule, J. J. McArthur gave a splendid account of the annual meeting of the Red Cross in Calgary. It was decided to put on the lunch at Mr. Daw's on March 27. The contest was won by Mrs. McKillie and the lunch was served by Mrs. H. Scott and Mrs. L. Stett. The second meeting was held at the home of Mrs. J. Wilson with 12 members and three visitors answering the roll call. Mrs. McMillan read the bulletin on Horticulture. Mrs. Deshayes gave a splendid report on the Red Cross convention. Mrs. McMillan won the contest put on by Mrs. Walker.

The ladies are requested to remember to bring pins at Mr. Daw's next meeting. Mrs. Wilson and Mrs. Walker.

The game law department of lands and mines has declared an open season on muskrats during the period March 15 to April 25, in that part of the province lying south of the North Saskatchewan river. This trapping must be done on a limited trapper's license, fee for which is \$2.00 and obtainable from any Royal Canadian Mounted Police detachment or game guardian in the area. The license will permit any person who is owner, purchaser under agreement for sale or lease of land in that part of the province lying south of the North Saskatchewan River, which land is used for farming or ranching; purposes, as well as any member of such person's immediate family.

COL. WILLIAM OAK, SALVATION ARMY, HERE THURSDAY

Col. W. Oak, head of the Public Relations Department for the Salvation Army, will be in Gleichens tomorrow—Thursday, March 23—to inspect the new building. He will conduct a public meeting at the home at 7:30 p.m. to which everyone is welcome.

NEW RATION BOOKS WILL BE HANDED OUT DURING NEXT WEEK

"Some 800,000 new ration books are now in the hands of 53 local ration boards situated throughout the province," says C. G. McKee, regional superintendent of rationing.

From local ration boards these copies of Ration Book No. 4 will be allotted to over 1000 conveniently situated centers to which citizens will apply during the days of distribution. Volunteers can check distribution centres, prepared to check Ration Book 3, and record the information from it to Ration Book 4. "Volunteers working all across Canada gave the country over half a million dollars during the last distribution campaign," the superintendent said. "Personal distribution is more effective than mailing and relieves already overburdened post offices," he said.

Mr. McKee reiterated points to be observed in obtaining new ration books:

"Late applicants will not be able to obtain new books until April 17. Print proper information on the red lettered card, RB99 in the back of ration book No. 3. Note line 5 which requires that you fill in the name or number of the municipal district in which you reside. Present ration book 3 to obtain ration book 4.

Do not destroy ration book 3 which

O. DESJARDINE RETURNS FROM EXTENDED HOLIDAY

O. Desjardine returned Saturday evening from the coast where he had been holidaying for the past three months. Mr. Desjardine made the trip by car going and returning by Spokane and while at the coast spent most of his time at Vancouver and Victoria.

This is the first time in many years that he had been away from Gleichens for any length of time. He stated he had had a wonderful time and met almost everybody who at one time or another had lived in the district in the past 35 years. Among them were Mrs. A. E. Jones, who now lives in Vancouver and wishes to be remembered to her friends here. Dutch Schlegel who is now working and looks splendid. Mrs. J. M. Telford, Dr. Belle Larkin (Mrs. Williams), Tom Fisher, the greatest comedian and entertainer Gleichens ever had. Tom could take a violin that had no strings on it and put a fishing line on the fiddle and tightening it take a bow and play Home Sweet Home with such soft stirring patches that within no time he had everybody including the dog howling. But Desjardine met a host of others and had a great time talking old times. He said he was glad to get back and go to work as after all there was no place like home.

Contains 2 coupons for canning sugar, not yet valid.

"Any member of a family, or of a remote community, if over 10 years of age can obtain ration books on the others, if he presents their copies of ration book 3 with card RB99 properly completed.

WITH THE WEEKLY NEWSPAPER MEN OVERSEAS

By R. P. MacLean.

While Canadians at home know that the Beaver Club near Trafalgar Square in London is doing a good job (Continued on another page)

Notice to Farmers

Farmers on the Western Section of the Irrigation Block can now obtain Prisoners-of-War farm work. Wages \$45.00 per month for the summer months, and \$20.00 per month for the winter. Farmers to supply board and lodging. To obtain this labor, there should be at least 50 farmers centering around Gleichens, willing to employ them during the entire summer season—April to end of October. For further information apply to:

E. S. DOUGHTY, Labour Officer—Dept. of Labor, Dominion Forest Service Office, 701 Public Building Calgary.

DON'T MISS—

5:45 p.m. Thurs. Sat.

TERRY AND THE PIRATES
Presented by Makers of QUAKER CEREALS

At a Glance ...

ALBERTA'S LIQUOR SITUATION

The Alberta Liquor Control Board is faced today with cold mathematics of trying to supply more than double the number of permit holders with heavily curtailed liquor quotas. Greater demand rather than reduced supply is mainly responsible for the situation.

Category	Value	Unit
AVERAGE NUMBER OF PERMITS ISSUED 1937-1941	130,000	PERMITS
BASE YEAR ISSUED	198,000	PERMITS
LIQUOR BOARD PURCHASE	242.61	GALLONS
ACTUAL SALES	215,111	GALLONS
ISSUED	401,000	PERMITS
QUOTA	169,827	GALLONS
ACTUALLY RECEIVED	157,009	GALLONS
ACTUAL	218,207	GALLONS

AMOUNT BY WHICH QUOTA ESTABLISHED

REPRESENTS 50,000 PERMITS

REPRESENTS 50,000 GALS. LIQUOR

DOMINION GOVT. WAR-TIME ALCOHOL PURCHASES ORDER 70% OF 1942 PURCHASES

SUPPLEMENTED FROM STOCKS ON HAND

The Alberta Liquor Control Board purchased in 1942 last year 242,611 gallons actual sales in 1942—215,111 gallons. From these figures it is seen that the amount purchased was in excess of sales by 27,500 gallons which went into stock in 1943, the Alberta quota for liquor was 169,827 gallons (70 per cent of 1942 purchases.) Of this amount, only 157,009 gallons was received. Thus, the province received 12,818 gallons less than it was allowed under its quota.

The sales for 1943 totalled 218,207 gallons. The difference between the amount received and the amount sold was made up out of stocks on hand.

ALBERTA LIQUOR CONTROL BOARD

JOHN A. KING, Chairman.

